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In re: Cimbora *et al.* ) Group Art Unit: 1632  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

Claims 1-161 (withdrawn)

Claim 162 (new) A method for selecting modulators of an isolated protein complex comprising a first protein interacting with a second protein, wherein:

(a) said first protein is selected from the group consisting of

(i) IKKB, IKKA, IKKG, IKK-I,

(ii) a IKKB, IKKA, IKKG, IKK-I fragment capable of interacting with a protein selected from the group consisting of LDHM, EIF3S10, SLAP2, KIAA0614, SART1, GBDR1, TRAF, N UMA1, SPA-1, PN13730, and

(iii) a fusion protein containing IKKB, IKKA, IKKG, IKK-I or said IKKB, IKKA, IKKG, IKK-I fragment; and

(b) said second protein is selected from the group consisting of

(1) a protein selected from the group consisting of LDHM, EIF3S10, SLAP2, KIAA0614, SART1, GBDR1, TRAF, N UMA1, SPA-1, PN13730,

(2) a fragment of a protein selected from the group consisting of LDHM, EIF3S10, SLAP2, KIAA0614, SART1, GBDR1, TRAF, N UMA1, SPA-1, PN13730 and capable of interacting with IKKB, IKKA, IKKG, OR IKK-I, and

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